

House Resolution No.

Whereas, as the 2003-2004 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Tina-Avalon R-II School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty on May 21, 2004, with the retirement of David Kirsten who has devoted several years of his life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as a teacher; and

Whereas, David Kirsten has served as an art and Title 1 teacher for twenty years at Tina-Avalon, where he is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, David Kirsten taught sixth and seventh grade history and English in the Richmond R-XVI School District for one year and fifth grade in the Brunswick R-II School District for four years prior to assuming his responsibilities at Tina-Avalon; and

Whereas, David Kirsten has watched his pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge he has imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

Whereas, so many young Missourians have left the classrooms of the Tina-Avalon R-II School District fully prepared to face the challenges ahead as a result of the outstanding professional endeavors of David Kirsten; and

Whereas, the son of Edna Kirsten, David Kirsten leaves his duties and responsibilities at Tina-Avalon R-II with tremendous satisfaction that he has always given more than one hundred percent to assure each student the best education possible:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join the Tina-Avalon R-II School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that David Kirsten has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing him the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that he so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for David Kirsten, as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative John Quinn
District No. 7

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. ____, adopted _____, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker